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NANNING NOTES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

December 4th.

POLITICAL.

There are a great many delegates from Canton official circles now in Nanning and much conference is going on, but it is reported that Lee Fuk Lam, who has been to Mong to confer with General Luk Wing Ting, and was to have accompanied him to Lungchow, is for some unknown reason, returning to Canton.

It is confidently stated that much of the army here is now receiving its pay from Peking, and that General Luk has come to some arrangement with the Northern party to make peace.

NEW OFFICIAL.

The new Chinese Superintendent of Customs is Mr. Wu Meng Pong, and he has recently come into residence in Nanning.

PLAGUE AMONG SOLDIERS.

The soldiers that were sent to suppress the Miao people on the border of Kwai-chow Province are said to be suffering from an epidemic of plague at a place called Sai Lung, and large numbers of them have died. In consequence of this, the officer in command of the expedition has made an arrangement with the people who have been causing the trouble to cease fighting, but they are by no means subjugated yet.

During the past four years the district of Sai Lung has lost no less than 200 villages, burnt in the fighting. This year about 75 villages, comprising over 7,000 houses, have been destroyed, and 700 people killed. Many people are now homeless, plague-stricken and starving. The Civil Governor has given \$2,000 to help rebuild the villages, but, as a local paper remarks, this is only about 60 cents for each house, which is not much of a help.

MOTOR-CARS IN NANNING.

A new terror has been added to life in the city by the advent of several motor-cars belonging to certain high officials, who go careering along the narrow streets at a dangerous speed. The streets are only just wide enough for one car to stand in and leave room for one or two foot-passengers at the side, so when the cars are heard approaching, the frightened people have to pick up their children and rush into shops or side-streets to get out of the way.

MOTOR-BOATS WRECKED.

Two motor-boats have already suffered shipwreck on the rapids of the West River, although the water is not by any means so low as it will probably be in a month or two. The goods in the holds were spoiled by immersion in the water, but there was no loss of life.

RICE HARVEST.

The final rice harvest has been all got in now and is a fairly good one, so the loss of the earlier harvest is not such a serious matter as it might have been. The price of the best rice is about \$8.50 per catty.

PRISON REFORM.

A large piece of ground has been secured outside the East Gate for the erection of a new prison, which is to be in the nature of a Borstal institution, and will also comprise a school for teaching trades to the prisoners, with a view to preparing them for a more useful career after their period of detention.

NEW BUILDINGS AND ROADS.

The building boom continues both inside the city and outside it, but especially around the South Gate. A new road is in course of construction all round the city, at the foot of the old city wall, which will link up the North, East, and South Gates. The wall itself is being allowed to remain, but the bastions are being removed so that the road may be made straight. The operations have not involved the destruction of valuable property, as hitherto the only houses outside the wall were little huts. Outside them lies a wide moat which is being drained in certain places and utilised for building sites. The work of making the new roads is being done by the military engineers. Unfortunately the new buildings are being used chiefly to provide gambling saloons.

MAN ROBBED WITHOUT KNOWING IT.

A Chinese was charged at the Magistracy, yesterday, with snatching a purse from a compatriot.

Complainant was absent when the case was called, and a district watchman, who witnessed the incident, stated that complainant was unaware that he was robbed until witness, who has seen defendant snatch the purse, informed him. Witness pursued the defendant and arrested him. Defendant then fell on his knees and asked the witness not to prosecute him.

Defendant denied the allegation, and stated that the watchman struck him several times, though for what reason he did not know. He lived at Wanchai and went to West Point to purchase fish, as it was sold cheaper there.

Mr. Wood remanded the case for enquiries.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., who are now the sole agents in Hongkong for Messrs. Mappin & Webb, have just received the first consignment since the war from this well-known firm of London silversmiths. The consignment is especially suitable for Christmas gifts.

ENTERTAINMENT AT VICTORIA BARRACKS.

INTERESTING PROGRAMME.

The Chief and Petty Officers of the Submarine Flotilla entertained the members of the R.G.A. Headquarters Sergeant's Mess, Victoria Barracks, on Wednesday night. A large number of naval, military and civilian friends were present.

An excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music was given which reflected great credit upon the Flotilla. "P.O. East" was the "star" turn, his impersonation of George Robey being very good. C.E.R.A. W. Lee, was also good in his "Sam Mayo" stunts, and the others also contributed materially to the success of the social gathering.

The orchestra, including P.O. Davey, and S. S. Webber and Wilde, gave selections during the interval and accompanied the songs.

At the close of the concert, Master Gunner May, in thanking the chief and petty officers of the Flotilla for the excellent entertainment they had given, extended a hearty welcome to them.

During the interval, light refreshments were served and the arrangements generally showed that the members of the Committee, Q.M.S. Smith, C.S.M. Sykes, and Sergt. Roberts had spared no pains to make the entertainment a success.

The programme is given below:—

Selection Orchestra.

Song, Comic "C.O. Edwards."

Song, Comic "Burlington."

Song "God send you back to me." P.O. East.

Song, Comic "Selected." C.E.A. Chard.

Song "The hills of Donegal." P.O. East.

Song, Comic "Dance with your Uncle." P.O. Davey.

Song "There's a friend in every Midstone." E. R. A. King.

Selection Orchestra.

Song "Let the great big keep turning." C.P.O. Edwards.

Song, Comic "In other words." P.O. East.

Song "The bells of St. Mary's." C.E.A. Chard.

Song "The Midshipmite." E. R. A. King.

Song, Comic "One man hand." Sam Mayo (C.E.R.A. Lee).

Song "I'm sorry I made you E.R.A. King."

Song, Comic "You can't judge a woman." P.O. East.

Song, Comic "Do you want us to lose the war?" C.E.R.A. Lee.

Song "In an old fashioned house." C.E.R.A. Tifford.

Song, Comic "The bugler boy." P.O. East.

CANTON NEWS.

December 10th.

STUDENTS' PARADE.

Both students on strike and others held a joint parade yesterday, as a protest against Japanese action at Fochow. The students on strike headed the procession. There were also a few girls in the procession. It seemed at first that the parade was only a peaceful demonstration, but at the end the students who had not gone on strike but took part in the parade suddenly left the procession and refused to join in the noisy demonstration against the big companies. A conflict seemed imminent, but the students of the Canton Christian College who are not on strike and the crowd quietly left the students on strike. A policeman who attempted to intervene was hustled by the crowd and slightly wounded.

The Superintendent of Police, on hearing of the incident, immediately dispatched a large body of armed police to the spot, but the crowd had dispersed before this, and the police patrolled the band from one end to the other until late at night. Students of the Nam Mo School paraded in Honam the same day.

BIG FIRE IN HONAM.

A serious fire broke out in Honam on December 7th, when more than 100 houses were destroyed. These houses were mostly used for storing timber, and a large quantity of timber was destroyed. The price of timber has risen in consequence.

EXPLANATION NEAR MACAO.

It is reported that the work on the new bund leading from Macao to Chingchow has been completed, and the Macao authorities have now ordered another bund to be built leading from the gate to the east. The houses near the gate in Macao are being taken up as barracks for soldiers and for the storage of munitions. The Macao authorities recently sent gunboats to patrol the coast and see that the white boundary marks are not tampered with. It is stated that the Macao authorities intend to make the coast a centre of the fishing industry.

In regard to the reclamation of the Chingchow shoals, the Civil Governor has reported to the Military Government that it could not be stopped without using force.

SHUM'S VISIT TO HONGKONG.—Shum Chun-bun, the Chief Administrative Director to the Military Government, paid a private visit to a merchant in Hongkong on December 9th. Shum went to Kowloon and had an interview with the merchant on business affairs, returning to Canton the same afternoon.

CANTON LEADERS VISIT GENERAL LIK.—A message from Nanning states that Commander Li Fook-lam on his way to visit General Luk Wing-ting in Mong (Luk's native village), passed through Nanning the other day, and stayed at Hongkong for a short time. General Li is one of the Provincial Assembly. Canton also visited General Luk.

WAR DEVASTATED FRANCE.

THE MASKED BALL AND THE CABARET.

At the Masked Ball, in aid of the Hongkong Fund for War-Devastated Villages in France, on December 19th, at the Volunteer Headquarters Parade ground, it is proposed that dominoes of cotton material be worn. Each participant will be given a number, and everyone will be asked to vote on the prettiest and most original costume. Three prizes, in silver, generously offered by Messrs. Sennet Freres, Ullmann, and Wang Hing, will be presented to the three gaining the most votes, when the masks are removed at midnight. Those already possessing fancy dresses or dominoes of other material than cotton will not be debarred from contesting for the prizes, but the Committee trust that any large expenditure will be confined to contributions to the Fund, not on elaborate costumes, as the Ball is in aid of those who have little to keep them from the cold. The tickets for the Ball cost \$5 each, which includes light refreshments.

The Portuguese community of this Colony, who generously contributed the use of the recent successful Gymkhana, and are giving the pawns for the Pansy Day street collection on December 19th, are in addition conducting a "Tombola" at the Cabaret to be held on the Volunteer Parade ground on December 20th. The Committee of the Fund will be very grateful for all sorts of suitable for use as prizes at this Tombola, are sent to Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Consul for Portugal, at the Portuguese Consulate, next door to Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co., in Des Vaux Road.

Any home-made sweets or cakes, or vegetables from private gardens, to be sold at the "Everything Else" Stall at the Cabaret on December 19th, will be gratefully received by Mrs. Scott Harston, at "Combe," Magazine Gap (No. 173, The Peak), by Mrs. Frost, No. 4, Kimberley Villa, Kowloon. It has also been suggested that, in order that Mrs. Harston's stall—the "Everything Else" stall—may justify its name, that those in sympathy with the objects of the Fund may send such things as pot plants, flower or vegetable seedlings and cut flowers for sale at that stall.

PANSY DAY FUND.

The following further donations are gratefully acknowledged:—

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Mr. Kan Chiu Nam	100
Mr. Kan Yook Kai	100
Mr. Kan Ying Po	100
Mr. Mok Chu Yee	40
Mr. Chow Sai San	40
Mr. Tin Ma Po	30
Mr. Chan Ching Sek	20
Mr. Li Koon Chun	20
Mr. Li Tse Fong	10
Mr. Kan	10
Mr. Kwok Yau Ting	10
Mr. E. Suzuki, Japanese Consul-General	20
Mr. S. Miyoshi, Lt.-Commander, I.J.N.	10
Mr. T. Okamoto, Onoda Co.	10
Mr. O. Ichika, Toa Tobacco Co.	5
Mr. Y. Yasuda, O.S.E.	25
Dr. K. Kitahama	10
Mr. and Mrs. Mousion	15
Mr. F. Otsubo	10
Capt. and Mrs. Basil R. H. Taylor	1,000
Messrs. Suzuki & Co.	25
Mrs. Furue	10
Already acknowledged	\$1,810
	3,378
	\$5,188

Further subscriptions are invited and may be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Matheson, care of Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

THEFT OF COTTON REEL.

PROPERTY STOLEN WORTH OVER \$1,100.

A Chinese cotton reel firm, which has lost over \$1,100 worth of cotton reel, charged one of its employees at the Magistracy, yesterday, with the theft.

Defendant admitted the offence, and pleaded that he was compelled to steal as he was ill and wanted money for medicine. He asked the Court to give him permission to see his brother with a view to repaying, by monthly instalments, the loss the firm had suffered.

Inspector Brazil stated that, after the man was charged, the brother refused to have anything to do with the matter. Mr. Hutchison remanded the case for further enquiries.

RUNNING AWAY WITH SHOES.

Two Chinese went into a shop at West Point, on Wednesday afternoon, and asked to be shown some shoes. They tried on two pairs and expressed themselves as satisfied. They asked the salesman to make out the bill and, while he was busy doing this, they ran out of the shop with the two pairs of shoes. A cry of "Thief" was raised, and the men were arrested. The two men were charged at the Magistracy, yesterday, with stealing. One of the defendants admitted the offence, stating that he was an ex-soldier of the Naval Dockyard. The other defendant stated that while examining the shoes he dropped them and was arrested.

Inspector Macdonald replied that the man dropped the shoes while running. Mr. Wood sentenced each defendant to six weeks' hard labour and four hours' flogging.

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Brass Flower Pots and stands, Brasses, Jardiniere and Vases, Prismatic Glasses and Binoculars, Leather Bellow Valves, and Suit Cases, Wardrobe Trunk, Embroidered Bedspreads and Table Covers, &c.

Also

SPORTING GOODS AND XMAS TOYS,

Comprising:—Boys' Baseball Bats and Balls, Footballs, Cricket Sets, Croquet Sets, Lawn Tennis Rackets and nets, &c.

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Several cases Martin's Whisky, and a number of cases Port Wine; to be sold in small lots to suit buyers.

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Including a large variety of A-coloured and B-coloured Vases, Wall Plates, Table Porters, Blue and White Vases, and Incense Burners, Old Bronze and Brass Figures, Vases, etc., Kalrmona, 1 square Ward, Ivory, Agate and Crystal Ornaments.

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Depth 4 feet 6 in.
Tonnage 27½ Tons. Deposit to be paid immediately on the fall of the hammer.
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6 cases Medoc, etc.
17 cases St. Estephe, etc.
11 cases St. Emilion, etc.
13 cases Fumille, etc.
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25 cases Italian Vermouth, Gancia & Co.
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20 cases Turkey & Liqueur Whisky.
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CORRESPONDENCE
THE SHIPPING DISPUTE

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

SIR,—It might interest your readers to compare the postage bill of a local steamer paying wages as claimed by the Guilds with that of a Japanese Ocean-going steamer:—
Local Coasting Steamer, 3,000 tons Dead-weight.

Captain	.....	\$ 850
1st Officer	.....	350
2nd Officer	.....	260
Chief Engineer	.....	602
2nd Engineer	.....	350
3rd Engineer	.....	280
Total	.....	\$2,472

Japanese Ocean Steamer, 4,300 tons Dead-weight.

When Coasting.	Min.	Max.	Max.
Captain	.....	150/300	\$100.00
1st Officer	.....	100/150	65.00
2nd Officer	.....	85/100	45.00
Chief Engineer	.....	150/200	100.00
2nd Engineer	.....	90/130	65.00
3rd Engineer	.....	70/90	45.00
			\$420.00

On Foreign Service.

Captain	Min.	Max.	Max.
1st Officer	.....	125/300	\$160.00
2nd Officer	.....	150/190	97.50
Chief Engineer	.....	127/135	67.50
2nd Engineer	.....	225/300	150.00
3rd Engineer	.....	135/160	97.50
			67.50	
			\$600.00	

Food Allowance—\$450—\$300—against \$150.

As the Captain of the Japanese steamer in question put it, the whole postage bill of his command could be paid from the salaries of the Captain and Chief Officer of a local coasting steamer. Is there, therefore, any wonder that the local coasting companies object to further increases? Whether owners of river steamers can afford to pay wages on the scale demanded by the Guilds is doubtful, as there is no question that their earnings are precarious and their margin of profit very small. As regards coasters of 2,000 tons to 3,000 tons deadweight capacity which have been earning anything from \$7 to \$10 per month on their dead-weight during the whole of this year and are likely to earn as much in the next, it is ridiculous to say owners cannot afford to pay the increases demanded by the Guilds and that they will be forced to lay up the ship.

Can you imagine the owner of a 3,000-ton ship which brings in a revenue of about \$35,000 a month lay her up for even a day when the increases demanded by the Guilds do not at the most entail an additional expense of \$600 to \$700 per month? As regards the statement made by the Shipowners Protection Association of Hongkong that all shipowners have been losing money this year, to put it mildly this is an untruth, as any local shipping man can tell you that owners of British steamers on the China Coast have not had a better year since 1916.

I may mention incidentally that with the possible exception of three or four ships, all the steamers owned by the S.P.A. would have been laid up or broken up in pre-war days—Yours, etc.

DIAMETERED.

Hongkong, December 11th, 1919.

MYSTERIOUS THEFT OF JEWELLERY.

MESSRS. SHERIFF BROS.

VICTIMISED.

In the early hours of yesterday morning, the establishment of Messrs. Sheriff Bros., Indian Jewellers, at the corner of Flower Street and Queen's Road Central was denuded of gold watches, silver handbags, jade brooches, pearl and diamond brooches, and other jewellery valued at about \$12,000. There are many curious features about the affair, the consensus of opinion being that the theft was the work of the same gang who recently burgled the row of shops from Bonnet Street to the French Store, in Queen's Road Central, and the Hongkong Cigar Store, and Faulkner's Jewellery establishment.

It is surmised that one of the thieves hid himself under the stairs in Bank buildings, just behind Madame Flint's show-room, and then broke the padlock on the inside of the door. He and his accomplices made their way into Madame Flint's establishment by breaking through a wooden partition. It is curious that this shop received no attention whatever from the thieves, who seem to have concentrated the whole of their efforts upon Sheriff's store. The thieves entered by making a hole about 24 inches wide in the wooden partition, and then this must have involved very considerable effort, pushing a big show-case far enough away from the partition to allow a man to squeeze his way into the shop. Inside Sheriff's one safe and several show-cases were opened. Another of the safes bore the mark of a drill.

Detective Inspector Willis is engaged in unravelling the mystery. He has already taken into custody the Chinese night watchman, who was on duty throughout the night.

THE LOCAL SHIPPING DISPUTE

FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE.

The two following letters have passed between the parties to the local shipping dispute in addition to those published in our issue of yesterday:—

8, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, 11th December, 1919.

Messrs. Deacon Locker Deacon & Harston.

DEAR SIR,—With reference to the correspondence which was published, at your request, in the *Hongkong Daily Press* and the "South China Morning Post" of to-day's date, under the headings "Local Shipping Dispute" and "The Shipping Dispute," since we presume your object was merely to give full information to the Press and public, it seems a pity that such correspondence did not also include the letter, of which a copy is enclosed, which was sent to Mr. S. T. Williamson yesterday by us, since such letter has an obvious bearing upon the pending shipping dispute, and sufficiently proves that so far as our clients are concerned they are not adopting an unreasonable attitude, although it will, of course, rest with the captains, officers and engineers concerned to decide the matter to which reference is made in that letter.

We may add that the letter was drafted before 10 o'clock yesterday morning, the 10th instant, and was delivered to Mr. Williamson's office at about 11 o'clock, whereas we only received your letter of yesterday's date at 5.15 in the afternoon, at which time our said letter to Mr. Williamson must have been within your hands. You will doubtless have seen that a meeting has already been convened, as indicated in our letter, when the proposed settlement referred to therein will be considered by the masters, officers and engineers concerned.

With regard to the last paragraph of your letter, we have nothing to add to what is stated in our letter of the 9th instant, except to say that our clients have not promised financial or other assistance in case the suggested strike should mature. What the members of the Guilds may decide to do hereafter, our clients cannot undertake to say—Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) HASTINGS & HASTINGS.

[Copy.]

10th December, 1919.

S. T. Williamson, Esq.,

Shipowners Protection Association of Hongkong.

DEAR SIR,—Wages Dispute.—In view of the fact that some of the shipowners concerned have, during the past few days, agreed to retire the matters at present in dispute to arbitration, it has occurred to our clients, Captain D'Oliveira and Mr. J. Stokes, that there may be a possible way of arriving at a friendly settlement. With this in view our clients propose to convene at once a meeting of the captains, officers, and engineers concerned with a view to ascertaining whether they will agree that the proposed cessation of work be postponed in order to afford the shipowners ample opportunity of offering some definite counter-proposals to the present demands of the captains, officers, and engineers for an increase of pay, either in the shape of an offer to refer the matter to arbitration, or in the shape of a definite offer of advance of wages—Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) HASTINGS & HASTINGS.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

A PORTUGUESE BANKRUPT

WARNED.

At the Bankruptcy Court, yesterday, H. G. Chevas, described by the Official Receiver as a Mechanic, was brought up for "admonition."

The Chief Justice informed him that the Official Receiver had thought it his duty to inform the Court that the debtor had been incurring debts since he had been adjudicated bankrupt. He had originally been in debt to the extent of \$1,068 in 1907, and the Court had rescinded the Receiving Order made in 1911. In 1918 he had undertaken to pay to the Official Receiver the sum of \$25 per month for the benefit of his creditors. He had only paid \$36 after considerable time. He had now borrowed money from many sources and there were many actions pending against him. The debtor said he did not know there were actions pending against him.

The Official Receiver pointed out that Spenser Singh had obtained judgment against the debtor. His Lordship, addressing the debtor, said that he must have known there were actions against him. He had further received a lawyer's letter asking him to pay a creditor's bill. His salary was \$150 and he had a wife and children.

The debtor admitted the correctness of these statements. His Lordship, continuing, said he wanted to point out to the debtor that people who availed themselves of the benefit of the Bankruptcy Ordinance rendered themselves amenable to the law of the land, and they could not borrow to the extent of more than \$100 without security, which they were undischarged bankrupts. He warned the debtor that if he borrowed any more money the Court would authorise a prevention under the Ordinance.

APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE.

Application for discharge was made by

The Official Receiver said the applicant had not made his appearance. He did not know whether the Court would deal with the matter in his absence. He (the Official Receiver) had no objection to the discharge.

His Lordship said that the applicant must be present. The matter was held over till the next sitting of the Court.

SPORT.

YACHTING.

HONGKONG CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB.

The first of the series of Championship Races for the Handicap and One Design Class, and for the Heyward Heys Class, were sailed on Sunday, December 7th, with the following results:—
Handicap and One Design Class.

Yachts	Handicap	Finishing	Corrected	Pos.	Time
Bella	on Course	3:15.33	3:15.33	1	8
Dorothy	Scratch D.N.S.	---	---	---	---
Ayesha	1m 40s D.N.S.	---	---	---	---
Alia	13m 30s D.N.F.	---	---	---	---
Daphne	13m 20s 37.42	3:14.22	3:14.22	2	6
Haleyon	13m 20s D.N.S.	---	---	---	---
Bonita	13m 20s D.N.F.	---	---	---	---

Heyward Heys Class.

Yachts	Handicap	Finishing	Corrected	Pos.	Time
Ursula	Scratch	3:15.33	3:15.33	1	8
Sinica	1m 40s	3:14.22	3:14.22	2	4
Dawn	1m 40s	3:17.31	3:17.31	3	3
Owl	1m 40s	D.N.S.	---	---	---
Lisa	1m 40s	D.N.S.	---	---	---

Course for both Classes:—

Course for both Classes:—
Cust rocks buoy (S.), Channel rocks (S.), Kowloon buoy (S.), Lyceum beacon (S.).
Distance: 10 miles.

CRICKET.

K.C.C. v. R.G.A.

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon in this home match tomorrow at 2 p.m.:—J. P. Robinson, A. A. Claxton, J. V. Braga, B. D. Evans, A. de Sousa, L. J. Blackburn, R. Poonjaji, H. Overy, T. W. Elson, D. M. Goodall and A. W. Ramsay.

HONGKONG C.C. v. CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. in the home match against Civil Service C.C. tomorrow at 2.15 p.m.:—T. E. Pearce (capt.), A. B. Smith, R. A. Green, R. Hancock, J. D. Humphreys, P. Jacks, E. G. Lammert, A. K. MacKenzie, L. D. McNeill, P. G. de Karavini, and A. B. Raworth.

FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG F.C. v. THE NAVY.

The Club, playing at home, will be represented by the following to-morrow at 4 p.m. against the Navy:—G. S. Rodgers, F. Black and J. McWhinney, M. L. Keston, J. Stewart and J. W. MacPhail, J. B. Hamilton, D. Richelmann, J. Stalker, H. M. McTavish and J. Rodger.

HONGKONG F.C. v. SOUTH CHINA "B."

The following team will represent the Hongkong F.C. in the home match against South China "B" team at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow on the Military ground:—McKenzie, W. Gerrard and Young, Ireland, Weyman and Carrière, Zeverijn, Boyson, May, Meffer and Matthews.

GOVERNMENT SERVANTS' ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN A BRIBE.

CHIEF WITNESS ABSENT FROM COURT.

A curious situation has arisen in the case in which Ernest Baker, chemist at the Government Laboratory, stands charged with attempting to obtain a bribe of \$600 from a merchant, in connection with the analysis of some samples of tea.

When the case was called, yesterday, it was discovered that the principal witness for the prosecution was not in Court. Chief Detective Inspector Morrison stated that the man had promised to attend and he had Mr. J. H. Gardiner's assurance on the point.

Mr. Wood: What would you like me to do? Inspector Morrison: All I can do is to get defendant discharged for the present.

Would you like a remand to see if you can find the witness?—Yes.
Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defence, complained that it was not fair to his client that there should be so many remands. He wished his client's reputation to be cleared, and for that purpose he had brought Mr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, as a witness for the defence. Even if his client were discharged he would put him in the witness-box to make a statement clearing himself.

Mr. Wood remarked that he would not grant any further remand after the present one. The best thing for Mr. Lo would be to see the O.S.E., lay the facts before him, and if he were satisfied, to ask the Police to withdraw the charge and then make a statement satisfactory to his client.

The case was remanded till Saturday morning.

VIOLATION OF DUTY.

CORSTABLE IN AN OPIUM DEN.

Inspector Grant and a party of detectives who raided an opium den on Wednesday afternoon, received an unpleasant surprise when they discovered a Chinese constable, who was supposed to be on duty, lying, dressed in his uniform, in a box, puffing a pipe.

The man was arrested with others, and charged at the Magistrate's yesterday with violation of his duty.

Mr. Hutchinson fined defendant \$50 with the alternative of six weeks' hard labour.

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M. ROUET DE JOURSSEL
Manager.
Hongkong, November 28th, 1919.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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AND
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CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "NELEUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holy's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after Dec. 12th.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after Dec. 18th, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the underwriter on or before Jan. 1st or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 11th, 1919. [1648]

CHINA COAST OFFICERS' GUILD.
MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.

MEMBERS of the above Guilds are informed that a COMBINED MEETING will be held at the Guild Offices, 10, Des Voeux Road, TO-DAY (FRIDAY), 12th Dec.

Every Member in the outside (River & Coast) ships in port is requested to attend.

[1649]

CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., 10, Des Voeux Road, on MONDAY, the 15th day of DECEMBER, 1919, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

1. "That the conditional agreement entered into by the Directors of the Company in the name and on behalf of the Company with Messrs. HARRISON and CROSFIELD Limited dated the 10th of December 1918, for the sale of the undertaking, property and assets of the Company as existing on the 31st day of December 1918, subject to the liabilities for the sum of \$828,000 (Eight hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars) cash which has been submitted to this meeting be and the same is hereby ratified and approved and that the Directors be and they are hereby authorised and directed to carry the same into effect with full power to assent to any modifications in the Agreement which they may think expedient and in the interests of the Company."

Copies of the above-mentioned Agreement can be seen at the Registered Office of the Company, 10, Des Voeux Road, at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., 10, Des Voeux Road, at the Office of Messrs. HARRISON and CROSFIELD Limited, 10, Des Voeux Road, at any time before the said meeting (except Saturdays and Sundays) between the hours of 11 A.M. and 4 P.M.

And subject to the passing of the above Resolution to consider and, if thought fit, to pass as an Extraordinary Resolution the following:

2. "That the Company be wound up voluntarily and that Ernest Alfred Mountford Williams of the firm of Lowe, Bingham & Matthews of Chartered Bank Buildings, Queen's Road, Victoria, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding-up, at such remuneration as may be arranged between the said Messrs. HARRISON and CROSFIELD Limited and the Liquidator."

Should the Second Resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for consideration as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting to be held at the above address at twelve o'clock noon on TUESDAY, the 13th day of January, 1920.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1919.
By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
St. George's Buildings, Hongkong. [1644]

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th DECEMBER, 1919, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the 14 months ending 30th September, 1919, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th DECEMBER, 1919, until SATURDAY, the 20th DECEMBER, 1919, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, December 6th, 1919. [1630]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG POLICE.

THE HONGKONG POLICE VICTORY BALL will be held at the CITY HALL on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH, 1919. Dancing to commence at 9 P.M.
Wm. HENDERSON, SGT.
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong Police Station,
Hongkong. [1578]

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE OFFICES of the above Company have this day been REMOVED to No. 2, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, (Chater Road), Hongkong, December 8th, 1919. [1638]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE HAVE THIS DAY REMOVED our Offices to Second Floor, No. 34 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
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Hongkong, December 8th, 1919. [1639]

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L. REHINDOAGUE, Manager. [1636]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

President: His Excellency Sir R. B. STURGES, K.C.M.G., Governor.
Vice-Presidents: H.E. Admiral Sir ALEXANDER DUFF, H.E. Major-General VERRILL, C.B., His Honour Sir W. REES DAVIES, K.C., Chief Justice, Commodore GUNTER, R.N., the Hon. Mr. J. JOHNSTON.
Chairman: His Honour Sir W. REES DAVIES, K.C.

TOURNAMENT.

CITY HALL, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH, 1919.
AT 9.15 P.M.

1.—Fifteen-round Contest for the Featherweight Championship of the Colony.

Between Sergt. SKY KERRISON, R.N.Y.P. (Holder),

and Stoker EDWIN WALTERS, H.M.S. Hawkins (Challenger).

2.—Ten-round Middleweight Contest.

Between "Peggy" EVANS, H.M.S. Hawkins (ex-Middleweight Champion of Mediterranean),

and Seaman HAWLEY, H.M.S. Albion.

3.—Eight-round Featherweight Contest.

Between Stoker NAIL, Kowloon Torpedo Depot,

and Officer's Steward DISTIE, H.M.S. Ambrose.

4.—Six-round Flyweight Contest.

Between Boy FLORA, H.M.S. Hawkins,

and Boy COLLS, H.M.S. Hawkins.

5.—Six-round Middleweight Contest.

Between Sergeant ROGERS, Wiltshire Regiment,

and Seaman WILLOUGHBY, H.M.S. Hawkins.

6.—Six-round Lightweight Contest.

Between Private WOODWARD, Wiltshire Regiment,

and Seaman O'SHEA, H.M.S. Carleton Place.

Admission: Ring Side \$5, Stalls \$3.

Unreserved Seats: \$5 and \$1.

Men of the Naval and Military Forces in uniform admitted to Unreserved Seats at Half-price.

DOORS OPEN AT 8.30 P.M.

References:

H. J. GIBBS, Esq. and W. LOGAN, Esq. also.

Booking at MOUTRIE'S on and from WEDNESDAY, Dec. 10th.

J. C. WILKIN,

Manager,
Hongkong Boxing Association. [1634]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CERTIFICATE No. 5 NS 5336 dated Hongkong November 8th, 1919 for five shares numbered 25664 to 25668 and 62321 to 62325 inclusive all registered in the name of HO SHUI PO has been LOST or STOLEN and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 30th day of DECEMBER, 1919, a new Certificate for the shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5 NS 5336 will be thereupon treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STARR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, November 26th, 1919. [1616]

NOTICE.

REPUBLIC RAY HOTEL.

IN Order to enable the Contractors to complete the work in connection with the above Hotel at the earliest possible date without interruption, and in order to avoid all possibility of damage to the Flooring, Tiles, Paint Work, etc., the public are requested to kindly abstain from visiting the Hotel as on and from this date until its completion and formal opening of which due Notice will be given by Advertisement in the Local Newspapers.

The Management of the Hotel feel sure that they may rely upon the ready co-operation of the public in the foregoing regard.

Dated this 6th day of November, 1919.

For THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

Proprietors of the REPUBLIC RAY HOTEL.

J. H. TAGGART,
Manager. [1633]

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 15th day of DECEMBER, 1919, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Conduit Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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[THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.]

WAR CRIMINALS.

ALLIES WILL INSIST ON THEIR RIGHTS.

LONDON, December 4th.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George stated that the Allies had the right to demand the surrender for trial of any enemy war criminals, and it was intended to enforce the right. The final lists were now under consideration, but at present it was undesirable to state the numbers or how many were already in the hands of the Allies.

THE IRISH PROBLEM.

NEW BILL TO BE INTRODUCED INTO PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, December 4th.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George said that he hoped to introduce the Irish Bill early in the third week of December. Parliament would be prorogued before Christmas, but the Bill would be carried over to the next session by a special suspensory resolution.

THE ALLIES AND RUSSIA. FORTHCOMING INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

LONDON, December 4th.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George said that the forthcoming International Conference which would consider the settlement of the future of Russia would be composed of representatives of the same Allied and Associated Powers as had up to now been acting together. It would not include representatives of Soviet Russia.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

KING'S FELICITOUS SPEECH OF WELCOME.

LONDON, December 4th.

H.E. the King, welcoming the Prince of Wales at a dinner at Buckingham Palace in a felicitous speech, declared that the Prince had forged a strong new link between Canada and the Mother Country.

His Majesty expressed his great appreciation of the cordial, even affectionate, welcome the Prince had received from the Government and the people of Washington and New York. It had always been his earnest wish that the relations of the two great English-speaking nations should be of the closest and friendliest nature, and that so they should work together for the good of civilisation and mankind. He trusted that the visit of the Prince would assist to that end.

His Majesty added that he was now entirely satisfied with the way the Prince had carried out his two very important missions.

THE BULGARIAN ARMY.

BIG REDUCTION IN STRENGTH.

LONDON, December 4th.

The Bulgarian Army has been reduced in strength to 3,000 officers and 44,000 men.

THE BALTIC STATES.

RUSSO-GERMANS BEING DRIVEN OUT.

LONDON, December 4th.

The situation of the Russian and German troops under the Lettish pursuit is critical. It is considered that the evacuation of the Baltic States cannot longer be postponed.

THE PEACE TREATY.

RATIFICATION BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH.

LONDON, December 4th.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George said that he hoped the Treaty of Versailles would be ratified before the end of the month.

THE NEW FRENCH CHAMBER.

CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL QUESTIONS.

PARIS, December 8th.

A Havas message says:—The general tendency is to limit the new Chamber of Deputies as being capable of grappling successfully with the financial questions which will come up for discussion about December 17th, and which will be given priority over all other matters.

NOT AN ULTIMATUM.

SUPREME COUNCIL'S REPLY TO GERMANY.

PARIS, December 8th.

A Havas message says:—The official text of the Supreme Council's reply has not been issued, but the general tenor is known. It is not an ultimatum, but if it falls an ultimatum will follow, requiring compliance within 48 hours, the alternative being a general Allied advance beyond the Rhine. The Allied armies will occupy the Ruhr coal-field, and also, cross the Main and occupy Frankfurt and the surrounding district.

THE WAR ON BOLSHEVISM. BOLSHEVISTS BEATEN IN NORTH RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 4th.

A semi-official statement from the North Russian Front says that the Bolsheviks were compelled to abandon their positions in the Pines Valley and retire rapidly towards the Dwina. They also relaxed their pressure in South Russia.

UNITED FRONT FROM THE CASPIAN TO THE BALTIC.

The Volunteers in the Ukraine have joined the Polish Advance Guards, thus forming a united anti-Bolshevik front from the Caspian to the Baltic, also rendering possible the co-operation of the Poles and the Volunteers.

BIG ADDITION TO DENIKIN'S FORCES.

A treaty has been signed whereby the Galician Army comes under General Denikin. The Galician Government has been removed to Odessa.

EARLIER CABLES.

STEEL MAGNATE'S PRINCELY GENEROSITY.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS AMOUNTING TO \$117,000,000.

New York, December 7th.

The will of the recently deceased steel magnate, Mr. Henry Frick, after setting aside \$25,000,000 for his wife and daughter, divides the entire remaining \$117,000,000 to philanthropic uses.

Princeton receives \$15,000,000, and Harvard, Massachusetts and the Institute of Technology, \$5,000,000 each.

His New York residence, with its art contents valued at \$50,000,000, has been left to his widow for life, after which it goes to the city as an art museum.

PRIZE MONEY.

BIG AWARD TO CREW OF "E14."

The Prize Court has awarded the crew of the famous submarine E14 the sum of \$30,000 as prize bounty for sinking a Turkish transport with 6,000 troops and 300 crew in the Sea of Marmora in 1915.

The Prize Court had previously refused the bounty on the ground that a transport is not an armed ship.

The bounty goes exclusively to the crew of the E14, numbering only about a score, and thus represents the biggest haul in prize money during the war.

LANCASHIRE COTTON MILLS.

STILL CHANGING HANDS.

LONDON, December 7th.

Big sales of cotton mills in Lancashire continue.

The directors of the Vatherlane Company have accepted the offer of £1,000,000 for the Leigh mills, possessing 100,000 spindles.

It is calculated that 85 mills have changed hands, the deals representing £24,000,000.

THE MEXICAN CRISIS.

PRESIDENT WILSON DEPRECATES HASTY ACTION.

WASHINGTON, December 7th.

Senators Fall and Hitchcock, who were delegated to confer with President Wilson regarding the Mexican crisis, had also reported as to whether the President, by reason of his illness, is unable to exercise his duties. After a 45 minutes conference at White House they agreed that President Wilson is in touch with recent developments and is mentally keen enough to form judgments on questions confronting the nation.

President Wilson said that too many serious conditions were involved in the Mexican situation to warrant hasty action.

FAR EASTERN CABLES.

NEWS.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHINA MAIL."] A CHINESE MERCANTILE MARINE.

SHANGHAI, December 10th.

Commissioner Sab of the Government Steamship Administration has submitted a plan to the Ministry of Communications to form the nucleus of a Chinese merchant marine from sequestered enemy steamers and build up a Chinese export trade. A favourable decision is anticipated.

OIL STRAMER "CASTOR" OVERDUE.

SINGAPORE, December 10th.

There is still no news of the Asiatic Petroleum Company's steamer Castor (Captain McDowell) which left Singapore for Haiphong on November 16th, with a cargo of kerosene. It is feared she was lost in a typhoon, because wreckage is reported to have been found.

CAPT. ROSS SMITH'S PROGRESS.

SINGAPORE, December 10th.

Captain Ross Smith is flying from Bima direct to Australia.

Captain Ross Smith landed at Ambowa, Timor, yesterday.

GREAT FLIGHT COMPLETED.

SINGAPORE, December 11th.

Capt. Ross Smith left Timor for Port Darwin last morning. He landed at 11.30 a.m., thus winning the prize.

[THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.] CHINA AND THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

PARIS, December 8th.

A Havas message says:—Wang King-ki, Law Professor at Peking University, interviewed in Paris after the Brussels Conference for establishing the League of Nations, asserted that China was ready to associate with the League provided that all nations were allowed the same rights.

GERMAN PROPERTY IN SHANTUNG.

HANKOW, December 7th.

The German missionaries in Shantung have complained to the Vatican because the Japanese Government has sequestered Mission property. They declared it was the private property of German subjects.

The Vatican thereupon telegraphed to the Archbishop of Tokio entrusting him to ask the Government to revoke the unjustified measure.

A reply has arrived at the Vatican, announcing that the Japanese Government has revoked the sequestration.

MORE SHIPPING FOR THE EAST.

LONDON, December 10th.

The Times correspondent at Rotterdam states that the Netherlands Steamship Company and the Rotterdam Lloyd have decided to open a regular monthly service between Hamburg, Shanghai and Yokohama. These companies were recently admitted to the Eastern Conference.

One case (one death) of enteric fever was reported in the Colony on Wednesday.

The quarantine declared by Hongkong against arrivals from Saigon has been withdrawn.

The Raffle for a lady's fur coat, organised by Mrs. Templeton, took place on Wednesday at the Hongkong Stock Exchange and was won by Ticket No. 133.

The West Point Police, learning that, as a result of some trouble between residents of the locality, a fight was imminent, sent a party of detectives to High Street, on Wednesday afternoon. When the detectives reached the place they noticed over ten men armed with clubs, hammers, pieces of iron, spikes, bamboo poles, etc., standing in the roadway. The Police arrested four of them and the rest disappeared. The four prisoners will be charged at the Magistracy with being in unlawful possession of offensive weapons.

The application, made by Mr. Leo Longinotto, Assistant Crown Solicitor, before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, at the Magistracy, on behalf of the Canton Authorities, for the extradition of a Chinese wanted for murder, has been granted. The fugitive, who is alleged to have murdered a Chinese Police Commissioner because he was organising a volunteer force to put down crime, is being detained at the Victoria Gaol, pending instructions from Canton.

DEATH OF CHINESE MULTI-MILLIONAIRE.

MR. CHAN KAI MING.

The Chinese community of Hongkong is the poorer by the death, which took place yesterday, of Mr. Chan Kai Ming, who was reputed to be one of the richest men in the Colony. Constantly in the public eye, he was one of the leaders of his community, for his genial nature made him deservedly popular. He was a staunch friend, always ready to help a good cause or to succour anyone in need. Much sympathy will be felt with his bereaved children—five daughters and two sons.

Mr. Chan Kai Ming had been in indifferent health for the past six months. Besides heart trouble, he contracted influenza, and was ordered North by his doctor. His visit to Peking did him no good, for he caught a cold when motoring there and complications set in. He returned to Hongkong and his health improved slightly, but the change was only temporary. On Saturday last his condition took an unexpected turn for the worse. On Tuesday he became semi-conscious, and gradually failing, he died shortly after noon yesterday, surrounded by his family.

The career of Mr. Chan Kai Ming was an interesting one, inasmuch as during the time he took an active part in business he was invariably successful in his ventures. He was educated at the Diocesan School and Queen's College (then called the Central School). His scholastic career was full of promise and before he left Queen's College, he had become Morrison scholar. He became a pupil teacher in the school, holding the post for several years, till he was appointed third clerk in the Magistracy. Incidentally, for nearly two score years this man of millions has received a small pension from the Hongkong Government.

The foundation of his huge fortune was laid when he became an employee of one of the numerous opium farms which then existed in Hongkong. Subsequently, he became managing director of the Tai Yau Opium Farm. By the time the monopoly was taken over by the Government, Mr. Chan, like many other rich Chinese of the present day, was a millionaire. Thenceforward, everything he touched turned into gold. At the time of his death, he was Managing Director of Messrs. Gande, Price & Co., partner of the Tai Yau Bank, Director of the Bank of East Asia, Director of the Chung Kwong Co. and Director of the Hongkong Mercantile Co. As soon as the news of his death reached the Hongkong Mercantile Co. business was suspended, and the office closed, as a mark of respect to his memory.

As a public man, Mr. Chan Kai Ming was looked upon by the Government and unofficial Hongkong as one of the most influential Chinese in the Colony. He was identified with every movement which concerned the Chinese, and rendered great service to the Government during times of crisis, when the advice of a man thoroughly intimate with the peculiar needs and views of the members of his community was in demand. He acted as a member of the Legislative Council for a short period during the absence on leave, last year, of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chi Pak. He was the senior unofficial member of the Sanitary Board, on which he was completing a third term. He was also, the Vice-Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, a member of the District Watchmen's Committee, a member of the Committee of the Chinese Permanent Cemetery in Aberdeen, a member of the Po Leung Kok, a past Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital, and a Justice of the Peace.

His charitable works were far more than are usually credited to him; for he was a believer in not letting his "right hand know what his left hand did." His greatest claim to remembrance was a magnificent gift of \$50,000 to the Hongkong University, of which he was a life member. He also gave \$10,000 to the Ellis School, a school for the Chinese. Beginning of his own school career, he created several scholarships in the Diocesan School, Queen's College, and the Ellis School. In association with Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. Lau Chi Pak, and the Hon. Mr. Ho Yee, he gave an aeroplane to the British Government in 1917.

The funeral takes place on Saturday, the 13th inst., at 10.15 a.m., at the Victoria Memorial, No. 19, Causeway Road. His children, having received a liberal Western education, have decided that the funeral obsequies shall be carried out in European style. The coffin will be borne in a hearse to Aberdeen.

MOTOR BANDITS IN COURT.

INTERESTING EVIDENCE.

"I WALKED INTO THE SHOP" SAYS ONE PRISONER.

The Magistracy was uncomfortably crowded yesterday afternoon, when the hearing was commenced in Mr. J. R. Wood's Court, of the case in which Ip Sui Ping, Ng Wai and Cheun Sing are charged with (1) armed robbery in No. 40, Des Vaux Road on November 28th, and stealing \$5,700; (2) with killing P. O. 606, Lang Pui; (3) with killing Lau Cho; (4) with killing Wo Cheuk; (5) with shooting at P. O. 828 Kheer Deen, with intent to murder; (6) with shooting at P. O. 43, Li King Yau, with intent to murder; (7) with shooting at L.S.A. 113, A. Clark, with intent to murder; (8) with wounding P. O. 43, Li King Yau.

Mr. Leo Longinotto, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. Prisoners, when asked, said they understood the charges. Throughout the hearing the prisoners, one of whom was given a seat in the dock as he has not recovered from his wounds, appeared to be indifferent to the gravity of the charges preferred against them. They were talking and laughing and generally nonchalant in their behaviour.

Mr. Longinotto, in opening the case for the Crown, stated that on November 28th, in the afternoon, four men—the Crown suggested that prisoners were three of them—went into a money-changer's shop at 40, Des Vaux Road West. One half of the shop was used as a money-changer's establishment and the other half as a pork-butcher's stall. The men entered the premises, pointed the revolvers at the inmates and terrified everybody. The master and two of the *fokis* rushed out of the shop and, it is stated, raised an alarm, though the actual alarm, which brought the Police, was given by a man in the pork stall. The robbers ransacked the place and stole \$5,700. As the robbers were leaving the shop, an Indian constable confronted them. The Indian constable, Kheer Deen, behaved in a commendable manner, for, as soon as he met the robbers, he opened fire on them. The fire was returned. The robbers then ran, followed by the Indian constable for a considerable distance till they entered a motor-car and cleared off.

Mr. Wood wished to know if the robbers were identified.

Mr. Longinotto replied that the three prisoners were identified beyond doubt, and proceeded with his statement. After the men had got into the motor-car, said the Assistant Crown Solicitor, information was sent to Inspector Macdonald, who turned out with every available policeman. The robbers, who had been lost sight of for a time, were eventually traced to a tea-house at No. 29, Catchick Street, by the Chief Chinese detective who went to the place accompanied by Sergeant Clark and some Chinese. The detective went upstairs with two or three men and told Sergeant Clark to watch below. The detective went on to the first floor and there saw three men seated at a table. He immediately told them that he had come to search for arms and a struggle ensued. After considerable trouble, one of the trio was arrested. The other two men crawled on their hands and knees to the door and then made for the staircase with the intention of escaping.

Mr. Wood: Who was the person arrested?—Mr. Longinotto: The first prisoner.

Continuing, Mr. Longinotto said that no shots were fired in the tea-room. When the two men escaped, they were met by Sergeant Clark and a stand-up fight took place. Sergeant Clark fired at one of the men, the bullet entering a part of the body, and then the Sergeant struck the man in the head with the butt-end of his revolver in an endeavour to render the man unconscious. In doing so, the Sergeant dropped his revolver and was shot at by the second man who was running away. The Sergeant then took cover. At this stage Detective-Sergeant Field arrived on the scene and took up the chase. He managed to shoot the third prisoner in the leg and when the latter fell down a Chinese detective arrested him. The second prisoner ran into a timber yard where he took shelter and several shots were exchanged between him and the Police. This continued for some time till the man, considering it useless to evade arrest, came out of his shelter and gave himself up to Sergeant Hedges and some Chinese constables. The whole affair was a sort of a running fight between the Police and the robbers.

Mr. Wood: When was Chinese constable 606 killed?—Mr. Longinotto: The incident occupied several hours. There were two men, apparently innocent spectators, and some of the bullets, which were flying about, struck them and they were killed. It is difficult to say who shot one of the spectators, but the other was killed by a bullet which is of the same calibre as the robbers' bullets. No one fired except the robbers and the Police. The constable was shot by a robbery on the staircase leading to the tea-house. The other constable, who is in hospital, was also shot at near the tea-house.

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Dr. H. B. Parker, Medical Officer of the Victoria Mortuary, said that on November 28th he held a post mortem examination at the Mortuary on the body of a Chinese male, aged between 30 and 35 years. The body was identified by three Chinese in the presence of witness and Sergeant Field as that of Lau Cho. The cause of death was a bullet wound through the abdomen. He extracted a bullet, similar to the one produced, and handed it to the Sergeant. The bullet appeared to have entered the left side of the body and had travelled right across to near the skin on the right side.

Detective Sergeant Field stated that he received the bullet from Dr. Parker.

First prisoner: What sort of a bullet is it?—Detective Sergeant Field: A nickel-plated bullet.

First prisoner: Then it is not one of the bullets used in our revolvers.

Mr. W. Pryde, of the P.W.D., produced plans of the scene of the incident which were included as evidence.

Chan Yuen Tye, proprietor of the money-changer's shop which was robbed, stated that, on November 28th, he was having his meal outside the office when four robbers entered it. As soon as they came in, one pointed a revolver at the accountant. Witness seized the opportunity to escape by the back door. When he got on to the road, he raised an alarm. He did not see what took place afterwards. He saw the robbers leaving the shop. He noticed shots being fired at an Indian constable. He was unable to see the robbers' faces, therefore, he could not identify them. The Indian constable returned the shots. He did not know how many shots were fired. He saw that only one robber was armed. After the robbers had taken their departure, witness went back to the shop and examined the counter. He found that \$5,700 had been stolen by the robbers.

The first and the third prisoners said they had no questions to ask witness.

Second prisoner: Oh yes! I walked into that shop.

Dr. C. W. McKenny, Acting P.O.M.O., stated that Chinese constable 606 was admitted into the hospital on November 28th, about 2.35 p.m. He had a bullet wound on the right side of the stomach and another wound on the left upper arm. Later on in the afternoon he operated on the constable and found that the first bullet had passed through the stomach, and had caused other damage in the abdomen. The operation seemed at first to improve the patient, but after some time he grew worse and died on December 3th at 10.15 a.m. He held a post mortem examination and discovered that death was due to inflammation of the intestines. The wounds were rather small and might have been caused by this bullet (produced).

Witness also examined Chinese constable 49 at the hospital and found him suffering from a bullet wound in the nape of the left elbow. The bullet had passed through the skin. The constable was still in hospital under treatment for the wound. There was a possibility that the injury to his elbow might be permanent.

Witness examined Sergeant Clark's thigh and found a slight abrasion, which might have been caused by a bullet.

Witness examined the second prisoner, who was admitted to hospital on November 28th, at about 10 p.m. He had a wound on the left leg, which, on examination under X-rays, he found was not caused by a bullet.

The third prisoner, who was also examined by witness, had several wounds. He had a bullet wound on the right hand, near the wrist, coming out near the palm. There was a second bullet wound on the same hand, and from it he extracted a bullet which he handed to Inspector Grant. He discovered a third wound on the right thigh, which also contained a bullet removed by Dr. To. This bullet was discovered by means of X-rays. There was an abrasion on the outer surface of the right knee, which might have been caused by a bullet grazing it. There was also an abrasion on the outer surface of the left leg, about three inches above the ankle joint.

First prisoner: On that day I was taken to the hospital to be confronted by the Chinese detective.

Third prisoner: The constable said the man who hit him was dressed in American style.

The accountant at the money-changer's shop stated that at about 1.45 p.m. on November 28th he was sitting inside the office counting the money received from customers, when a man walked in and pointed a revolver at him. Three men accompanied the robber. Witness ran into the office and left the notes behind. He was afraid of being shot by the robbers. He did not see what took place. A *fok* was present with him in the shop when the robbers entered.

At this stage the hearing was adjourned till to-day.

The two Chinese charged with being concerned in the robbery at P. O. 606, Kheer Deen, have been committed for trial.

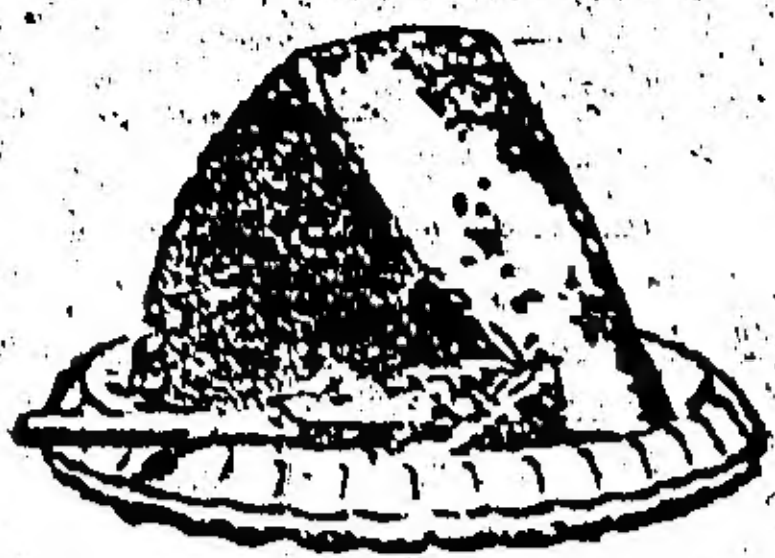
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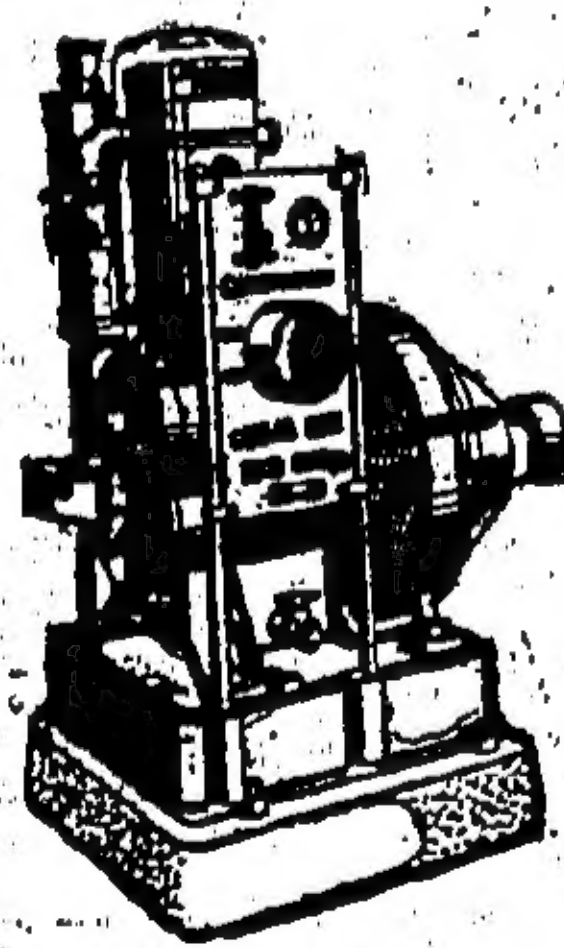
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MASONIC CHARITY
FUNDS FOR A PERMANENT
HOSPITAL.

Two important projects for the extension of Masonic charity were dealt with in London on October 10th. The Quarterly General Court of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys was held at Freemasons' Hall, under the presidency of Mr. E. E. Kayser, P.G.W., Chairman of the Board of Management, who proposed the admission of eight war-boys without a poll, their respective fathers having been killed or died while on active service. This was seconded by Mr. Charles F. Quicke, and carried. A proposal to acquire 25 acres of land adjoining the existing property of the institution at Bushey, at the price of £25,000, for the erection of a junior school, was also agreed to; it being decided to proceed with the erection of the building as soon as practicable. A list of sixty-six candidates for admission was considered, the whole of whom were elected, bringing the present strength of the school at Bushey up to 400, apart from the 388 enjoying the benefits of out education at different schools throughout the country.

In the afternoon a meeting was held at the Masonic House, when the Lord Mayor, as treasurer of the institution, explained the work and prospects of the Freemasons' Hospital and Masonic Nursing Home to delegates from the Founding Lodges—lodges which have contributed a hundred guineas or more to its funds. There was a large attendance, including the Pro Grand Master, Lord Amthill; Sir Arthur Stanley, Provincial Grand Master, West Lancashire; Mr. C. E. Meyer, P.G.W., chairman of the Home; Sir Alfred Robbins, president of the Board of General Purposes; Mr. J. B. Granville Grenfell, Grand Director of Ceremonies, and many other grand officers and distinguished members of the Craft. The Lord Mayor, who occupied the chair, reminded his hearers of the good work it achieved as a war hospital. About £30,000 had been accumulated towards an endowment fund. It was desired to raise such an amount as would produce a yearly income of £2,000. Proposed contributions from patients would render the nursing home self-supporting, and enable the forty beds at the hospital in Fulham-road, London to be fully occupied. Already there were 300 Founding Lodges, and it was hoped greatly to increase that number. Already handsome contributions had been received from overseas. His lordship was convinced that if the lodges of the country would give the scheme their active support a fourth Masonic charity would result without any necessity for an annual appeal to the Order. Lord Amthill, the Pro Grand Master, submitted a resolution expressing approval of the proposal to convert the existing hospital in the Fulham-road, Chelsea, into a permanent hospital and nursing home for the use of the war-boys and members of their families. Sir Arthur Stanley, who seconded the resolution, was glad of the opportunity, based on his experience with the Red Cross, to compliment the hospital on the splendid work done, both in the Fulham-road house, at the Bishop of London's Palace, and elsewhere. There had been over 1,000 voluntary hospital in the country, of which he had had experience; none had been more efficient than those managed by the Freemasons, none more economically worked. He gave very interesting details as to cost of working, and urged that at least £70,000 should be raised as an endowment for the hospital.

AMERICAN FINANCIERS.
SERIOUS CHARGES OF FRAUD.

Viscount Acheson, Lieut.-Col. Cecil Grenfell, and other prominent English financiers, are bringing a suit in New York before Supreme Court Justice McAvoy for the recovery of about £563,685 from Messrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Otto Bannard, Walter Rosen, and Franklin Brown, and the estates of Robert Van Courtlandt and James Woodward. Other plaintiffs in the suit are Mr. Otto Schiff and Messrs. Cambridge and GreenSmith, members of the English banking firm of Bourke, Schiff, and Company. The plaintiffs allege that defendants, who are members of the reorganization committee of the Southern Steel Company, defrauded them by misrepresenting the financial affairs of the company, into which they put their money. Defendants, in denying the charge, say that the price purchased by the plaintiffs were converted into securities of the Gulf States Steel Company, which is paying good profits. Counsel for the plaintiffs told the jury on October 17th, that he would show that Van Courtlandt, who recently committed suicide, was chiefly responsible for the alleged misrepresentation.

Mr. Schiff, who testified for plaintiffs, charged defendants with representing the total value of the property of the company as £5,000,000, whereas, he asserted, it was not worth more than £1,000,000. He declared that he and his associates were informed that the company had expended over £300,000 on improvements in 1908 and 1907, which, he alleged, was untrue. They had also been told that the company would earn a net income of £248,000 a year, whereas he claimed that the company had never earned enough to pay its fixed charges. Mr. Schiff admitted that he and his associates had insisted upon the reorganization of the committee, guaranteeing the figures in the prospectus, but that they had bought stock without getting such guarantee. The suit is being watched in Wall Street with particular interest, owing to the prominence of the names involved and its international character.

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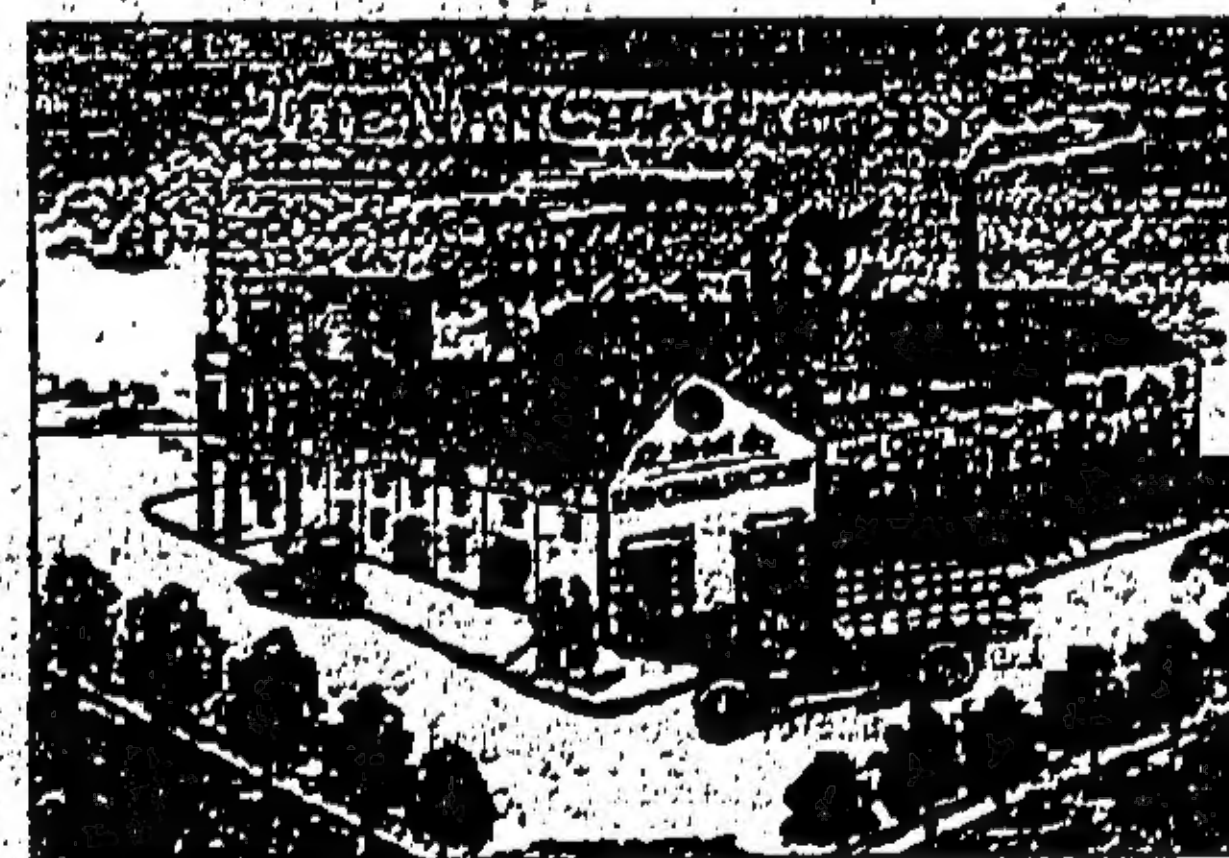
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Sir Auckland Geddes addressed a crowded meeting of the Peterborough Industrial Conference Committee at the Co-operative Hall, Peterborough, recently. The committee is composed of equal numbers of employers and employed presided over by the Bishop of Peterborough. His Lordship took the chair.

Sir Auckland said that Great Britain, confronted with the bill of difficulty, was not starting to climb it because its feet were entangled in the bog of misunderstanding. A most difficult problem as present was how we were to pay for food. Manufacturers told him as the Board of Trade that it was impossible to quote terms for export or give a definite date for delivery. They said, "Right in the middle of the thing there will be a strike. Wages will go up, or coal will be dearer. We cannot carry on trade under these conditions. There is no certainty as to what we will have to sell." A man making waterproof declared that he had hundreds of thousands of orders, and could get hundreds of thousands more for Argentina, India, and Australia, but a firm price was demanded; and that he could not give it. If he quoted high enough to cover his risks the orders went to the United States; if he quoted too low there would probably be some change, he would have to pay a penalty and lose the market.

We were getting very near the end of our national tether on the side of credit for buying food. That was why the price was going up and the value of money was going down. Every right-minded man wished to see better conditions for the wage-earners, but there was more than one way of getting paid for wages. An increase in the number of shillings paid per week only led to increasing poverty as the number of shillings paid in wages rose above the real value of the goods produced. The best example of that was Russia, where the labourer now getting an equivalent of £100 a week was worse off than he was before the war with £21.

A large proportion of the people of the country was under a serious misapprehension on this subject. If wages were to lead to a better standard of living, the value of money had to be kept up. The most important step to increase the value of money was to increase the quantity of goods circulating in the country, and to increase the quantity of goods available for export. The calls for increased production only stated half the truth, because increased production without markets would not let the country pay its way. We could only solve these difficulties by working together as a nation to re-establish national wealth. He believed we had reached a stage where increase of wages had no further effect in improving the position of the worker as a whole. At that stage the only thing to be done to improve conditions was to increase the value of money. After wealth had been accumulated further increase in wages could be given. Provided the principles we had laid down with regard to exports were grasped, he saw no reason why the nation, in a comparatively short time, year or two perhaps, should not again have its feet firmly set on the road to prosperity.

Asked whether he considered the war debt of Germany was a bad debt, Sir Auckland said that if he were asked whether we should get reparation from Germany this year, he would reply "No, next year." "No," the year after. "Perhaps."

PARTNERS IN INDUSTRY.
A PLEA FOR THE WORKERS.

Addressing the Church Congress at Leicester on October 15th, the Rev. A. J. Carlyle, Chaplain, and Lecturer in Political Science at University College, Oxford, spoke on Christian ideals of citizenship and service in industrial life, with special reference to the reorganisation of Capital and Labour on a Christian basis and the question of nationalisation.

He said that economists had recognised that there lay at the bottom of all relations between Capital and Labour a fundamental basis of opposition of interests. That was what was called by the Socialists a class war, but that doctrine was invented by Adam Smith. The doctrine was opposed to the Christian faith. The real enemy of Christianity in the industrial world was not the capitalist who spoke at the street corner; it had been and was now in the industrial system itself.

REVOLT AGAINST MASTERSHIP.

In the industrial world they spoke of masters and men, but surely we Christian people considered the Christian man a freeman and not a slave. Yet, in the industrial world such had been its organisation in the past that the control had been practically entirely in the hands of the employing classes. There was a revolt against mastership. Some hard people thought that this revolt was against leadership, but that was not true. How might they hope to escape from these conditions?

We had to secure a standard and condition of life for the wage-earner and take it out of the chaotic conflict of antagonistic passions and powers. We had to view it from the interest of the whole community and the principles of humanity and Christianity. The proposed legal minimum wage and legal maximum hours was the beginning of all beginnings. There was no getting away from the restlessness of the worker under mastership. It was not leading to anarchy. What the workers were claiming was that they should not be looked on merely as servants but as partners in the industrial world. (Cheers.)

CONCEPTION OF NATIONALISATION.

Speaking of nationalisation as an economic science, Mr. Carlyle said that economic science did not condemn nationalisation. Men who said that it did spoke out of the abundance of their ignorance. (Laughter.) The attitude of

economic students was that nationalisation was a matter which was subject to experiment. The conception of nationalisation expressed the principle that industry was carried on for the benefit of the whole community, and not merely for the benefit of a section. Nationalisation deserved the sympathetic consideration of Christian people.

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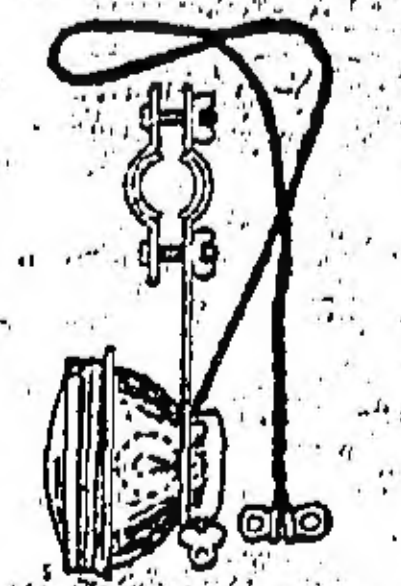
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WEATHER REPORT.

December 11th, at 12.48.—No returns from Vladivostok, Wailuwei or Japanese stations. Pressure has decreased slightly from Shanghai to Hongkong and is nearly stationary at other stations.

The anti-cyclone is moving eastward. A depression is still shown between Borneo and Cebu in China. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 78.03 inches, against an average of 82.38 inches.

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Vessel	Leave Hongkong	Due Hongkong
"GLENAMORY"	...	21st Dec.
"GLENNAVY"	...	21st Dec.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel	Leave Hongkong	Discharges
"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	10th December	LONDON & ANTWERP
"GLENAMORY"	27th December	LONDON
"GLENAMORY"	About 15th January	GENOA & ANTWERP
"GLENNAVY"	26th January	LONDON
"GLENNAVY"	26th January	GENOA
"GLENSTRAE"	8th February	LONDON

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3844, 3823.

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For Steamer To Sail

MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO ... "TAMING" ... On 13th Dec. 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN ... "TEAN" ... On 14th Dec. 9 A.M.
SWATOW & BANGKOK ... "LUCHOW" ... On 16th Dec. 10 A.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "SHANTUNG" ... On 18th Dec. 10 A.M.
HONGKONG, FAKHOE & HAIPHONG ... "KAIFONG" ... On 17th Dec. 10 A.M.

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QUINERANG ... Capt. J. W. Evans ... FRIDAY, 19th Dec., at 1 P.M.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"DILWARA"	5,500	18th Dec. Noon.	Straits, Ceylon, Bombay.
"NOVARA"	7,000	19th Dec. Noon.	MASSILLON & London direct.
"DONGOLA"	8,000	27th Dec.	— Do —
"KASHGAR"	9,000	2nd Jan.	— Do —

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"ARRATON APCAR"	4,500	2nd Dec.	Straits, Bangkok & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"ST. ALBAN'S"	4,000	25th Jan.	Sandakan, Thursday Island, Queensland Ports, and Sydney.
"EASTERN"	5,000	11th Feb.	— Do —

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"JAPAN"	8,000	16th Dec.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"MADRAS"	7,000	24th Dec.	Shanghai & Kobe.
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"ICONIUM"	...	About Jan. 20th.
"SEATTLE SPIRIT"	...	About Feb. 1st.
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Steamers	Tons	Leave Hongkong
TENYO MARU	23,000	Dec. 18th
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SIBERIA MARU	30,000	Jan. 23rd (from Yokohama)
*PENNSIA MARU	9,000	Feb. 3rd
KOREA MARU	30,000	Feb. 23rd

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KIYO MARU	17,500	Jan. 9th, 1920.
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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Distribution	Steamers & Discharge	Sailings from Hongkong
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	*PORTHOS	On or about 11th Jan 1920.
	*AMAZONE	On or about 28th Jan.
MASSILLON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DIBOUTI, SUZ, PORT SAID	*SPHINX	On or about 12th Dec.
	*ANDRE LEBON	On or about 28th Dec.
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"GANGES MARU" ... Wednesday, 17th December.SAIGON, BANGKOK, SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly service.
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